

REMARKS

This Supplemental Amendment after final rejection is being filed in response to the Advisory Action mailed March 17, 2006, in the present application. The Advisory Action states that the amendments presented in the Amendment filed on March 6, 2006, do not overcome the outstanding rejections because it is contended by the Examiner that the amendments relating to the illumination source "can be read upon the IR and/or UV light source to illuminate the emissions of the vehicle captured by a video camera."

The claims are presently being amended to recite that there is a video image collector which captures a visual image of a non-emissions feature of a vehicle. This video capture of a visual image is intended to be a characteristic of the vehicle, such as, for example, a license plate. In order for the video collector to capture this information, a first video illumination source is utilized and positioned to illuminate the desired feature.

Another component of a system or method according to the present invention, is an information collection device that captures emission related information. The claims have been amended to recite that the emissions information collecting device has its own illumination source, which is separate and different from the video illumination source.

These two different illumination sources are utilized in conjunction with different systems and for different purposes. For example, the emissions illumination source would typically be directed across the road way in order to capture emissions data of the vehicle. This source is not required to illuminate any part of the vehicle, but rather to illuminate the emissions of the vehicle. On the other hand, the video illumination source is utilized to permit visual data gathering of the vehicle itself, and not the vehicles emissions, such as, for example, a license plate.

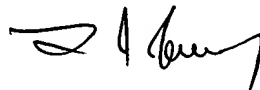
The arguments presented in the previous amendment after final rejection filed March 6, 2006, are believed applicable and are incorporated by references without being repeated below. It is respectfully submitted that the references to Lord et al., Taki, and Lock do not teach or suggest the claimed video illuminators which are separate from, and in addition to, the emissions-illuminating source.

Full consideration and entry of this Amendment After Final is respectfully requested, as the issues in the application seem to be well developed and well considered. Accordingly, withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and the issuance of the Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited. If the examiner believes a teleconference would be beneficial in expediting the prosecution of application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 202-861-1696.

In the event this paper is not time filed, Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-2036 with reference to Attorney Docket No. 87354.2880.

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